

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Application of:  
Stanislaus PIETRUCHA, et al.

Serial No.: 09/803,545

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For: Method and Apparatus for  
Facilitating Electronic Acquisition  
and Maintenance of Goods and  
Services Via the Internet

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**RESPONSE TO OFFICIAL ACTION OF NOVEMBER 3, 2004**

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

May 3, 2005

Dear Sir:

In response to the Official Action mailed on November 3, 2004, to which a three month shortened statutory period for response was set to expire on February 3, 2005, Applicants respectfully request consideration of the following amendments and remarks, and respectfully request reconsideration of the subject application. A petition for a three month extension of time is being submitted concurrently herewith.

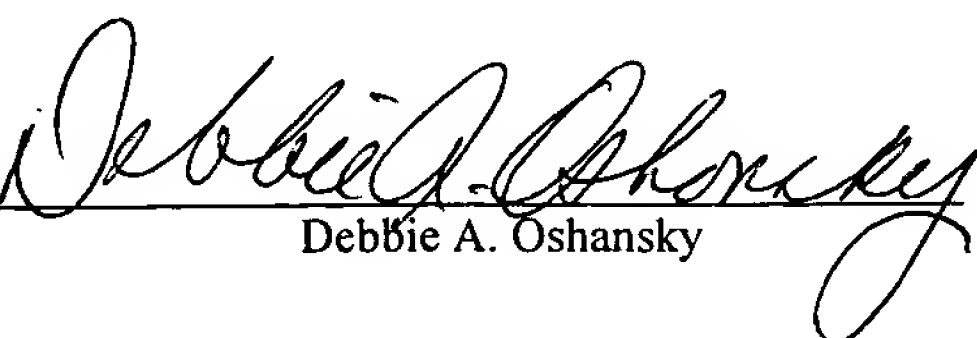
**Amendments** begin on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on page 10 of this paper.

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